also form part of the functioning of airports and essential to travel through our airlines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Aerodrome officers incharge of the airports under the administrative control of the National Airports Authority, are available at the airports during the arrival and departure of scheduled flights to attend to public compiaints. They are responsible for proper maintenance of passenger handling areas and efficient functioning of the airports. At international airports viz. Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, under the administrative control of the International Airports Authority of India, in addition to the General Managers of the respective airports, senior officers of the level of Assistant Director/Airports Officers (operations) are available round the clock to attend to commutors' complaints and to ensure efficient functioning of the airports.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Defected bogies of Tinsukia Mail

2063. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that old and damaged bogies which have surface leakages, electrical defects, unmanageable shutters and damaged basins, constitute the Tinsukia Mail;

(b) whether it is a fact that catering facilities in this train are not provided and the food supplied to passengers is of sub-standard quality; and

(c) what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir,

(b) No, Sir.

(c) All possible efforts are made to provide relatively new coaches or freshly shop overhauled coaches on important trains. All coaches, with the exception of First Class coaches, running on Tinsukia Mail, are less than 10 years' old. To improve the condition of First Class coaches, a planned rehabilitation programme is being undertaken.

Checks are carried out to improve catering service to the passengers.

Death of Children due to D.P.T. Vaccines

2064. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of children who died during the period April, 1986 upto date, due to administration of DPT vaccines to them;

(b) the names of Hospitals/Centres in different States and Union Territories where the deaths took place;

(c) what are the precise causes to which these deaths are attributable, and what steps have been taken to punish the persons responsible; and

(d) what steps have been taken to prevent such deaths in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) From April, 1986 till date eight incidents from different States involving the death of 19 children after alleged vaccination with different vaccines under the Immunization Programme have been reported. No death has been conclusively proved to have been caused by the vaccines. The incidents reported were from the States of Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh,